GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2441
ANSWERED ON:03.12.2002
PREVENTION OF TERRORISM ACT
GADDE RAMAMOHAN;JAGMEET SINGH BRAR;M.H. AMBAREESH;M.V.V.S MURTHI;PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL;RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH;VARKALA RADHAKRISHNAN

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of State Governments and other political parties have demanded for review of the Prevention of Terrorism Act (POTA);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government propose to make some amendments in POTA provisions as reported in Sunday Pioneer dated 10.11.2002;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) the details of the provisions likely to be amended;

(f) the names of the States who have so far not implemented the provisions of POTA in their States; and

(g) the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH.VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) & (b): No communication from any of the State Governments or political parties has been received so far, to review the provisions of the Prevention of Terrorism Act, 2002.

(c): No Sir.

(d) & (e): Do not arise in view of (c) above.

(f) & (g): The prevention of Terrorism Act, 2002 has been enacted by Parliament and the same extends to the whole of India as stipulated under sub-section (2) of section 1 of the Act. As such, it is incumbent on all State Governments to implement the provisions of the Act.